

## UNIVERSITY DISTRICT 2020 IMPACT AWARD INFORMATION

### **BACKGROUND**

The University District's **Impact Award** recognizes individuals and organizations that have demonstrated excellence in leadership through deep local understanding and exceptional initiative. The awards are designed to advance thoughtful, community-driven, innovative, and sustainable solutions to critical issues facing the University District.

The inaugural Impact Award was presented to Dave and Mari Clack in October 2017 at Gonzaga University for their outstanding contributions and impact in the University District. The second Impact Award was presented to Kim Pearman-Gillman at the University District Gateway Bridge opening celebration in May 2019 for her leadership and longstanding service to the UD Board.

The University District's Impact Award honors individuals and organizations doing extraordinary work to address the University District's most pressing opportunities and challenges.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Awards may be made to an individual or group of individuals and/or to an organization. Individual nominees from all sectors — government agencies, nonprofits, and corporations — are eligible for this award. Nominations for emerging and innovative leadership, as well as longstanding accomplishments, are encouraged. Previous award winners and current University District board members are ineligible.

#### AWARD TO INDIVIDUAL

This award is given to someone who has made a significant contribution to the University District and whose collaborative work has inspired community action and measurable impact. The award recognizes outstanding commitment to the University District and inspired leadership.

#### AWARD TO ORGANIZATION

This award is given to an organization that demonstrates exemplary commitment to improving the University District, supporting its stakeholders, and creating greater equity and opportunity in the District. This award recognizes an organization undertaking collaborative and pioneering efforts to benefit University District development, revitalization, economic prosperity, innovation, public health and safety, and community engagement.

## **GEOGRAPHIC CRITERIA**

The nominee's work must serve populations in the University District.



#### **EVALUATION AND SELECTION**

The University District Executive Committee (EC) and Board of Directors can initiate a public or closed nomination process and can receive nominations informally so long as sufficient information is available to evaluate the nominee. Prior to evaluation and deliberation, the EC and Board should clarify and confirm and theme, outcome, or purpose that may be useful in making or evaluating nominees as well as any relevant firm dates for submissions, selection, or recognition. Nominators may be asked to provide advance information or to meet with staff or an awards selection committee.

The EC or a Board appointed selection committee will confirm all candidates' eligibility and will present their recommendation(s) to the UDDA board of directors for award selection.



# UNIVERSITY DISTRICT (UD) IMPACT AWARD 2020 APPLICATION

Members of the public who wish to nominate a person or organization for an Impact Award are required to submit a two-page max Word document that includes responses to the following:

TELL US ABOUT WHO THE NOMINEE SERVES IN THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT (UD)

As a nominee or if nominating another, please describe the community or individuals served in the University District by this candidate.

## TELL US ABOUT WHAT THEY DO FOR THE UD AND WHY THEY CARE ABOUT THAT WORK

Please tell us about the nature of the work and why it matters. Examples include:

- Thoughtful Leader: Has a record of demonstrated leadership in their field and community; friends, colleagues, other thought leaders, and peers look to this applicant as a source of inspiration and empowerment.
- Community Catalyst: Employs solutions that demonstrate a deep local
  understanding of the University District community and works with diverse
  stakeholders; is representative of and responsive to community perspectives
  and actively engages community members/clients for their input to inform
  their methods.
- **Selfless Collaborator**: Works with and is informed by other University District or Spokane community leaders, organizations, agencies, faith groups and/or sectors to break down silos and build collaborative solutions.
- **TrailBlazer**: Has vision and the ability to build momentum around novel, placemaking, or game-changing ideas; willing to take risks to achieve results for future generations.

## **TELL US WHAT SETS THEM APART**

Describe the nominee/nominee organization and how they/it works to lead, collaborate, and achieve in the University District in truly unique ways. Provide 2-3 concrete examples of the nominee's special impact in the UD and/or challenges the nominee(s) has addressed/overcome in the District.

## **DEADLINE AND EVALUATION**

Please submit the nomination to <u>info@spokaneudistrict.org</u> by Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Please provide your contact information in the event evaluating staff or committee members have follow-up questions. Final recommendation(s) will be presented to the University District Development Association board of directors for award selection at a time to be determined by the UD Executive Committee.

#### **NEED MORE INFO?**

If you have any questions, please contact <u>info@spokaneudistrict.org</u> or call 509 255 8038.